

# EAGLE CREEK PARK 2018

**Earth Discovery Center (EDC)** 317-327-7148 **Ornithology Center (OC)** 317-327-BIRD (2473) Open Monday-Saturday 9-5, Sunday 1-5

**56th St. Admin. Office** 317-327-7110

Open Monday-Friday 9-5

Programs located at:
Earth Discovery Center
Ornithology Center
Other (location)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
INDY PARKS & Recreation		I	2 8:30am Volunteer Coffee Talk	3	4 4pm Migration Game	5 9am Hike Series* 1:30pm Discovery Class 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
6 9am Birdwalk 1:30pm Feeding Time 2:30pm Meet a Raptor	7	8 Election Day  EDC/OC/Office CLOSED  Park Grounds OPEN	9 1:30pm Spring Wildflower Hike 2pm Hummingbirds	10	11 1:30pm Hike & Seek 4pm Migration Game	Eagle Creek Birding Festival 2018 6am-4pm Eagle Creek Birding Festival 1:30pm Discovery Class 2:30pm Raptor Feeding
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### **Recurring Programs**

#### Saturdays:

Hike Series, 9-10:30am at the Ornithology Center. Explore a different trail each morning including the little-known westside trails. Naturalist guide and binoculars provided! \$3/person; children under 10 free with paid adult. Walkins welcome.



Nature Discovery Class, 1:30pm at the Earth Discovery Center. Stop by every Saturday for a fun activity! Topics vary - possible activities include nature hikes, pond life, simple crafts, and more! Free with park admission.

Raptor Feeding Time, 2:30pm at the Ornithology Center. Join a naturalist to watch us feed one or more of our birds of prey. Feeding only takes a few minutes so don't be late! Free with park admission.

#### **Sundays:**

**Sunday Morning Birdwalk**, 9-11am at the Ornithology Center. Join a group of new and experienced birders for a

brisk morning bird walk! Meets rain or shine. Walk is not geared toward children but they are welcome to attend. Free with park admission.



**EDC Feeding Time,** 1:30-2pm at the Earth Discovery Center. Watch as our educational amphibians, reptiles, and other critters enjoy their lunch! On the menu: worms, mice, salad, crickets, and frozen bloodworms, yum! Free with park admission.

**Meet A Raptor,** 2:30-3pm at the Ornithology Center. Join a naturalist to discover the world of raptors! You will meet one or more of our birds of prey and learn what makes them raptors. Free with park admission.

#### Fridays:

Migration Game, 4pm at the Ornithology Center.

Designed for ages 6-12, our obstacle course teaches children about migratory birds and the hazards that they face. Join us for this outdoor adventure time. Free with park admission.

### **May Programs**

To register go to www.indyparks.org and enter the 5 digit course #. Free programs do not require registration.

May 2 (W) **Volunteer Coffee Talk**, 8:30-9:30am at the Earth Discovery Center. Join us for an environmental presentation. A great way to meet volunteers and learn about opportunities. Free with park admission.

May 8 (Tu) **Election Day,** Office, Earth Discovery Center, Ornithology Center CLOSED. Grounds open dawn to dusk.

May 9 (W) **Spring Wildflower Hike**, 1:30-3pm at the Earth Discovery Center. Hike topics include ID, pollinator basics, human uses and more! Free with park admission.

May 9 (W) **Hummingbirds**, 2-3pm at the Ornithology Center. Join the naturalists to learn all about hummingbirds! We will make some crafts, learn how to help hummingbirds, and watch for them at the bird feeders. Perfect for homeschool and preschool families! Free with park admission.

May 11 (Fri) Hike & Seek, 1:30-2:30pm at the Earth Discovery Center. We will hike at the pace of our tiniest walkers, stopping to investigate things that interest us along the way. Hike & Seek is designed to be a true immersive experience for preschoolers.

May 12 (Sat) Eagle Creek Birding Festival, 6am-4pm at the Ornithology Center. Registrants choose between expertled birding tours, conservation seminars and activities. Registration required by April 27.

May 24 (Th) Story Time on the Reservoir, 9:30am at the Earth Discovery Center. After reading a nature-themed story, participants will visit stations. Stations may include puppets, coloring pages, artifacts, or additional books. Program best suited for prek and kindergarten, but elementary students welcome. Free with park admission.

May 28 (M) **Memorial Day,** Office, Earth Discovery Center, Ornithology Center CLOSED. Grounds open dawn to dusk.

May 29-Jun 1 (Tu-F) Summer Day Camps, times vary at the Earth Discovery Center. Sensory Adventure for ages 4-5 meets from 9-11am, #14225 or 1-3pm, #14226. Trail Travelers for ages 6-7 meets from 11:30am-4pm, #14230. Register online, or search "Eagle Creek Camp" for a list of all our camps available for registration!

## Save the Dates



- June 2: BioBlitz,
   Scientists from across Indiana will work for 24 hours to identify every living species in the park. Join us for free programs throughout the day!
- June 2: ECP Foundation Fishing Derby, register at eaglecreekpark.org
- June 9 &10: Eagle Creek Folk Festival
- June 9 & 16: Nature Play Days, the Indiana Children and Nature Network encourages groups across the state to get kids outside and remind families that nature play is important and can happen close to home.
- June 30: Pack the Parks! Indy Parks will "pack the parks" again this summer with free family activities and free admission to pools, gyms, and of course Eagle Creek!

## Eagle Creek Birding Festival 2018

## May 12, 6am-4pm at the Ornithology Center

Join us for the inaugural Eagle Creek Birding Festival! It will be a celebration of all the birding opportunities Eagle Creek has to offer. Participants choose between expertled birding tours, conservation seminars, and fun for the

whole family activities! No birding experience required. Register online at indyparks.org. For more information follow the event on Facebook at Eagle Creek Ornithology Center's page.